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1. Otto Brischachek and Fritz Weissenbeck, FOJ heads, recently proposed new measures for revitalizing Communist youth activity, emphasizing the prediction that the Communists would take over Austria within a few months. One hundred and twenty members of the Freie Österreichische Jugend in Vienna were designated activists and are to receive special political training "to assume responsible positions in the new regime". Details of the training and the location of training centers are not yet available.
2. The KPÖ is planning to hold a large demonstration in Vienna on 24 March 1948 to commemorate the Revolution of 1848. Delegations and groups from all Bezirke are to converge on the Michaelerplatz. The planned use of torches indicates an early evening demonstration.
3. Following the Czech crisis, Ernst Fischer wished to make a speech affirming the Austrian Communist Party's intention to respect all normal forms of parliamentary democracy. This was vetoed by the Soviets, who were reported to be furious with Fischer and Koplenig. Friedl Fuernberg is now a favorite with the Russians. Because of strained relations between the Soviets and the Austrian Communists, the former cut down the number of automobiles lent to the KPÖ from fifty-six to fourteen; they also cut the number of meals for the KPÖ Central Committee from 900 to 200 daily.

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